[13th November 1957

Takkavi loan

* 153 Q.—Sri N. K. PALANISAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have given a takkavi loan to Sri Thiyagaraja Mudaliar of Vadapathimangalam, Tanjore district, for buying tractors; and

(b) if so, the amount given as loan?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU: (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Service centre for pressed metal products

* 154 Q.—Sri K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether a service centre for pressed metal products has been opened by the Government at Madras on 19th September 1957; and

(b) if so, the nature of the service rendered therein?

The Hon. Sri R. VENKATARAMAN: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) About 50 small manufacturers are availing themselves at present of the facilities in the Unit and the nature of servicing work done for them includes the following:—

1. Grinding of Dies.
2. Cutting of Gears.
3. Lathe Turning Works.
4. Shapping parts.
5. Drilling work.
6. Smithy works.
7. Die making.
8. Pressing work.
9. Welding Jar.
10. Electroplating parts.

Generally the Service Centre undertakes the manufacture of parts involving the use of costly machinery which the small manufacturers do not have.

New bus routes

* 155 Q.—Sri P. G. MANICKAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any petitions from the villagers concerned for the running of more buses (new routes) from (i) Andiyur to Tiruppur and (ii) Satyamangalam to Erode *via* Kuhalur and Perundalaiyur; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?